

Study of Power Subsidy for Poor

2590. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up a panel to study power subsidy for poor;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and terms of reference of the panel;

(c) whether the panel has submitted its report to Government and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, by when the panel is expected to submit its report and present status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) No, Sir.

(c) to (d) Do not arise.

Improvement in Power Generation and its Distribution

† 2591. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of power generation and distribution is in a very bad shape in the country and whatever is being done by Government to improve the situation the bureaucracy is *creating* hurdles into that;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to control the bureaucracy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Energy generation in the country during the last three years viz. 1997-98,

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